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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of	
McBride, K., et al) Examiner: unassigned
Serial No. 08/984,099)
Filed: December 3, 1997)) PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
For: COTTON FIBER TRANSCRIPTIONAL FACTORS) <u>UNDER 37 CFR 1.115</u>
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231	

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered in the abovereferenced patent application prior to examination.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, please insert the following before the first line of the first paragraph: This application is a continuation-in-part of PCT application PCT/US96/09897 filed June 7, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 08/480,178 filed June 7, 1995.

A conditional petition for an Extension of Time is requested to provide for the timely filing <u>if</u> an extension of time is required after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered.

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